# JOINT VILLAGE-PARK DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF ARLINGTON HEIGHTS

#### **ARLINGTON HEIGHTS MUSEUM**

# **SATURDAY, February 17, 2018 8:30 A.M.**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: President Hayes; Trustees: Baldino,

LaBedz, Tinaglia, Scaletta, Blackwood,

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BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Trustees: Rosenberg, Glasgow

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Randy Recklaus, Village Manager

OTHERS PRESENT: Arlington Heights Park Board of Trustees, various

Park Board Staff

SUBJECTS:

Citizens to be Heard

Village Items of Interest to Share

Park District Items of Interest to Share

Other Topics for Discussion

Adjournment

President Hayes and Library Board Vice-President Gelinas called the meeting to order at 8:32 AM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Both made introductory comments commending the level of intergovernmental cooperation present in Arlington Heights.

#### **Public Comment**

Arlen Gould noted the financial challenges that Villages and Park Districts and School Districts now face and how all local governments must be aware of the challenges coming from the State Government during this time.

### **Village Topics of Interest**

Village Manager Randy Recklaus reviewed the Village Board's 2018-19 Strategic Priorities. He also discussed the upcoming stormwater improvement project to take

place on Cypress Park, which will necessitate the elimination of the community gardens at that location to allow for a larger detention basin. He indicated that this project was one of the most impactful of the projects planned as part of a new stormwater improvement effort on behalf of the Village. Village and Park District staff have worked together to inform both residents and community garden plot owners about this project which will get underway in 2019.

The Library Board and Village Board encouraged continued cooperation between both entities and in particular suggested exploring having the new Social Services Coordinator provide some services at the Library.

# **Park District Topics of Interest**

Park District Staff outlined the planned \$16 Million improvements at Olympic Park which includes a fitness center and a warm water pool. The project will mean the elimination of the skate park at that site.

Lake Arlington will also see improvements in the coming year including an adult outdoor fitness area.

Park District Staff also provided an overview of the community survey they recently conducted, gave an overview of upcoming activities at the historical museum and discussed the possibility of increasing the curator position (funded by the Park District) to a full-time position.

#### **Other Topics of Discussion**

Trustee LaBedz asked that the Historical Museum encourage people to park in the commuter lot vs. on the street out of respect of area residents. Trustee Baldino would like staff to review the signage at that lot to make sure it is clear that it is a public lot during non-commuter times.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 9:50am.